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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURTfor the
Southern District of Texas

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David J. Bradley, Clerk of Court

United States of America)
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 V.) Case No.
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 Silvia Estela CERVANTES)
 Defendant(s))

B-19-1256-MTS

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, the complainant in this case, state that the following is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

On or about the date(s) of 12/01/2019 in the county of Cameron in the Southern District of Texas, the defendant(s) violated:

Code Section

Title 21, United States Code, Section 841, 846

Offense Description

knowingly and intentionally possess with intent to distribute 24.30 kilograms of marijuana, a Schedule I controlled substance.

This criminal complaint is based on these facts:

On December 1, 2019, Silvia Estela CERVANTES entered the United States from Mexico via the vehicle lane at the B&M Port of Entry in Brownsville, Texas, driving a black 2015 Kia van. At the primary inspection lane, a U.S. Customs and Border Protection Officer referred CERVANTES and the vehicle for secondary inspection.

Further inspection of the vehicle revealed a total of 58 bunsles of mariuana hidden in natural voids throughout the vehicle. The marijuana collectively weighed 24.30 kilograms.

HSI Special Agents responded to the Port of Entry to investigate. During a recorded interview, agents advised CERVANTES of her rights which she waived. During the interview, CERVANTES admitted to knowingly and intentionally transporting a illegal substance from Mexico into the Unites States.



Continued on the attached sheet.


Complainant's SignatureZackary Rhinehart Special Agent
Printed name and title

Sworn to before me and signed in my presence.

12/2/2019
DateBrownsville, Texas
City and State
Judge's signatureIgnacio Torteya III U.S. Magistrate Judge
Printed name and title